

GOV. TOOLE WAS RIGHT.

His Position More Fully Defined in an Able Letter on the Situation.

It was His Duty as an Executive to Avoid a Conflict.

Hersfield and Power Unite on Carpenter to Knock Sanders Out—Mr. Watson's Little Mission

The subjoined letter to the public shows even more clearly that Governor Toole's proclamation was prompted only by a sense of duty, and a desire to prevent any possible conflict that might arise over the meeting of the legislature. That it was a wise and necessary measure is now generally recognized by all intelligent citizens, regardless of party ties. It is difficult to tell what might have happened had it not been for the governor's prompt action.

On Friday afternoon, Nov. 22, it was apparent that there was a determination on the part of both republicans and democrats to take possession of the court house and hold it for the purpose of organizing the house of representatives. The United States marshal was in the city, and it was rumored that he had sworn in a large number of deputies and that several persons had professed their services to lead an attack upon the court house. If the democrats sought to hold possession as against those republicans who did not have certificates of election from county clerks. Some democrats were expressing a similar determination on their part. During the afternoon of that day several delegations waited upon Governor Toole, and brought the above facts to his attention and gave it as their opinion that if the contending claimants should meet at the court house, in the absence of a proclamation from the governor designating that place as the place for the meeting of the house of representatives, that both parties would assume the right to the exclusive occupancy of the building and that a riot would ensue. It was urged that the power of the executive was plainly to see that the persons holding and presenting the county certificates (being the lawful certificates) and no other persons, should be permitted to enter the legislative hall. Thereupon Governor Toole said that notwithstanding what had been urged that he would not exercise or attempt to exercise any such authority, but that in his opinion the county certificates were prima facie evidence of membership and that persons holding such under the law were entitled to temporarily organize the house, and that under the circumstances he would declare that to be the law and designate the court house as the place for the meeting of such, but that he would not under any circumstances undertake to prevent any person claiming to be a member of the house of representatives from meeting at such place, no matter what sort of certificate he held. In this determination he said he was unalterable. He then said to us that he intended to issue a proclamation which he read to us. It was the same one issued and published on Saturday morning. We heard read in the house of representatives the following letter. [Here follows Gov. Toole's letter to Capt. Smith.] This letter is in keeping with what Gov. Toole said to us just before the proclamation was issued. We make this statement in justice to Gov. Toole, whose action has been criticized by the very persons against whose presence in the house of representatives he refused to interpose objections. The proclamation of the governor was timely, and in our opinion was the means of preventing a breach of the peace, if not more serious consequences.

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The falsity of the Herald's statement that Mr. Webster, the former private secretary of Ex-Governor White, had called Governor Toole's attention to the certificates of the Silver Bow democratic legislators on the day following his inauguration is further proven by the statement of Mr. Webster himself. To an independent representative he said: "The statement in the Herald is untrue. I do not remember of being interviewed by a representative of that journal and certainly never said that I called Governor Toole's attention to those certificates on the day following his inauguration. I do not know how the article appeared in the Herald except that I may have been talking with someone connected with that paper about the matter and conversation has been misquoted in the article in question. You may say that the statement regarding me is false. I have sent a letter to Governor Toole to the same effect." Mr. Webster says that Ex-Governor White will be in town in a few days and will probably have something to say about the matter. Mr. Webster explains the affair as a mere matter of negligence. At the best it is very suspicious looking negligence.

The republican conspirators have finally reached a conclusion as to the east side candidate to be supported by the rump for United States senator. The unanimous man is ex-Governor B. Platt Carpenter. The determination of the bosses, who were jealous of Sanders, to defeat the ambition of the warhorse, was formed early in the state stealing campaign—as soon as the warhorse had completed the plans on which the small fry were worked. Hersfield and Power each started out to capture a rump senatorship for himself, but neither could get more than five or six votes and neither could deliver the vote to the other. They were united upon one proposition, however, and that was that Sanders must be knocked out. As the result of several conferences Hersfield and Power agreed yesterday to pull out and concentrate their vote on Carpenter. All the following of both these amiable state grabbers, it is understood, including a part of the Lewis and Clarke delegation now stands pledged to Carpenter. By a combination with Lee Mantle, the West Side rump aspirant, the anti-Sanders men expect to get votes enough to carry their caucus. They were jubilant last night over a count of noses that showed Sanders was hopelessly beaten.

W. H. Watson, of Lewiston, is in the city, all ready to take Senator McNamara's seat in the senate. Mr. Watson will have become an old resident of Helena if he remains in town until that interesting event takes place. His genial countenance will wear the deep furrows of care and his gray locks will turn to silver white if he proposes to even worry his brain over the affair. As far as senatorial honors in Fergus county are concerned, Mr. Watson is outside the breast-works to stay, at least until Senator McNamara's term expires. This is the opinion not only of all democrats, but of all well-informed republicans. Some time ago the boss conspirators hatched up the scheme of ousting the Fergus county senator. They sent for Mr. Watson to come to Helena and talk matters over, informing him that they thought the plan would work. Mr. Watson had no disposition to quibble over the election of his opponent and refused to come. He was sent for again and again, but like wise refused to make any fight for the seat.

Now he appears on the scene with a changed mind. He believes that the question of paramount importance to the people of the state of Montana is the breaking up of the dead lock. He sees great danger to public interests by reason of this legislative blockade. He feels that it is his duty as a citizen to destroy the dead lock. To change the present deplorable situation he is willing to take McNamara's seat in the senate. Mr. Watson is somewhat uncertain as to the means that will be employed to make this senatorial transfer but he says that he will remain in Helena until he can learn if there is any definite prospect of McNamara's seat being vacated. Mr. Watson is a mild mannered pleasant looking gentleman apparently something over sixty years old. He was at one time editor of the Milwaukee Sentinel though he has long been a resident of Montana.

The house of representatives met yesterday morning at 10 o'clock with Speaker Blakely in the chair. The roll call showing that no quorum was present the house was adjourned until 4 p. m. Monday.

The republican senators held their customary meeting followed by an immediate adjournment until 10 a. m. Monday.

DOINGS OF THE RUMPS.

One by one they weaken at the ramp and the members thereof are having a hard time keeping up their spirits and considerable difficulty in keeping their hired hands together on the promise that they will some day receive their pay. It did not take the chief clerk long to read the minutes of the previous day, and after that was done the resignation of J. B. Wells as enrolling clerk was received and accepted, and the names of Wm. M. Cook and Mrs. E. E. Evans were placed in nomination, but as there is no pressing need for an enrolling clerk, as there is nothing to enroll, the selection of a successor to Mr. Wells was postponed until Monday. After a short recess, Mr. Blakely, chairman of the committee to prepare a statement of the rump's side of the matter, submitted a lengthy document. The report declared that according to law there was no place designated for the use of the legislature; that when they assembled in the capital for the purpose of organizing and going ahead with legislative business the governor had possession of the hall and caused the doors to be locked and the members then secured another room; that the rump can be attached to the "rump" for adopting this course in view of the governor's letter to Captain Jack Smith. The report did not contain any startling news but was adopted and the ramp adjourned until Monday at 2 p. m.

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WHERE TO WORSHIP.

At Grand Street Methodist church—Services at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; conducted by the pastor. Sunday-school at 2:30 p. m. All are cordially invited. D. B. Price, pastor.

First Baptist church, corner Eighth avenue and Warren street. Services at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Preaching by the pastor, Rev. C. B. Allen, Jr. Young people's meeting at 6:30 p. m.

Second Presbyterian church, Adam's hall, Helena avenue. The usual services at 11 and 7:30 will be conducted by Rev. Dr. Quinn. All cordially invited; you will find the evening sermon interesting.

Preaching at the Congregational church by the pastor, Rev. F. D. Kelsey. Subjects: "Influences of God's Word" and "Croses bearing." Bible classes and Sunday school at 2:30. Young people's meeting at 6:45. A cordial welcome to all.

Regular services at the Christian church this morning and evening at usual hours. Morning subject: "The Letter and the Spirit," evening subject: "Try the Spirits." Sunday school at 9:45 a. m.; young people's meeting at 6:30 p. m. All are invited.

At St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal church the pastor, Rev. Dr. Raleigh, will preach at 11 a. m. on "The Fruit of the Lips." At 7:30 p. m. the first of a series of four lectures to young people on "Gospel Lessons in Natural History." Special programme of music. The public are cordially invited.

Look out for Monday's Independent.

Gents' silk initial handkerchiefs only \$1 at Fowles' Cash Store.

Good skating at Lake Broadwater. Notice new motor card.

Ladies' linen initial handkerchiefs only 12½¢ at Fowles' Cash Store.

New Corporations.

The West Gallatin irrigation company was incorporated yesterday. The capital is \$500,000 in 100,000 shares of \$5 each. The trustees are William J. Bryson, Joseph E. Young, Charles A. Gregory, David L. Hough and Charles A. Haskins, all of Chicago. The operations of the company will be carried on in Gallatin county.

Articles of incorporation of the second Presbyterian church of Helena were filed in the office of the secretary of state yesterday. Joseph C. Hunter, M. D., William Nelson, Robert L. Brasier, John Glass and Edward D. Sniffen are the trustees.

You can buy fur muffs from 50¢ up at Fowles' Cash Store.

For bargains in crockery, glassware and lamps go to The Bee Hive.

A large stock of dolls just received at Fowles' Cash Store.

A COMPLETE GROCERY HOUSE.

Mike Reing Has Made Extensive Improvements to His Store.

There is no more widely known business man in Helena than Mike Reing, and he has been in business so long that his name has become a household word. Mr. Reing is now in the grocery business on Bridge street, corner of Joliet, where he has been for the past twenty-two years. In 1867 he started the first bakery in Helena, and two years later added a grocery store, and from the day he started has always enjoyed the confidence and respect of a host of patrons, who are glad of his prosperity. Mr. Reing has always been the sole proprietor of his store, and has been remarkably successful. In bygone years his store was in the business center of Helena. While the town has expanded it has had little or no effect on his very large trade which doing the past few years has so grown that it requires eight assistants to attend to customers. Within the past few months workmen have been engaged in making improvements to this store and at an outlay of \$10,000. Mr. Reing presents a grocery house which is among the largest and neatest in Montana. A second story of brick has been added, and the floor space has been increased forty feet, the dimensions now being 30x30 feet. Entire new shelving and counters have taken place of the old ones, and a new office occupies a portion of the rear where the bookkeeper, Mr. Curtis, and Mr. Reing have their separate apartments. A feature of the place is two large cool refrigerators; in the one leading off from the east side of the store is kept butter, eggs and cheese, while in the refrigerator in the cellar is kept hams, bacon, lard and many imported perishable goods, such as cheese, preserves, etc., and hams and bacon. This is the only store in is a large airy cellar, 30x80, with walls of Helena having refrigerators. Down stairs stone twenty inches thick. This entire cellar was a mass of rock which had to be blasted. The floor separating it from the store is fire proof, a floor of cement having been placed between the boards. Mr. Reing is justly proud of his cellar. Just at the foot of the stairway leading to it is a vault extending to the upper floor. This is similar to a bank vault, the solid rock walls being two and a half feet thick. In the upper vault the safe and valuables are kept, while in that down stairs is a large stock of imported wines and liquors. Among the many things in the cellar is a large stock of liquors on tap and canned goods. Besides the cellar Mr. Reing has three warehouses. Coming to the store again, by the elevator (the J. W. Reedy patent of Chicago), a neatly arranged line of shelving greets the eye. This shelving is filled with every variety of fancy imported and domestic groceries. The stock is all new, as well as the store, where anything in the line of light hardware, tinware, queensware, glass goods, crockery, Yankee notions, cigars and tobacco can be found, as well as a large and selected stock of groceries. A specialty is made of imported Norwegian herrings and all kinds of stock fish. Mr. Reing being the only importer in Helena of this class of goods.

Mr. Reing would be pleased to have any one, and especially his old friends and customers, at his store to see for themselves what a complete retail grocery house should be. The entire front of the building is new, fitted with German plate glass windows, the exterior of the building being handsomely finished.

Bronzes, statuettes, plaques, clocks, fancy lamps, pictures, artificial flowers, vases, busts, etc., etc., at The Bee Hive.

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COHEN—In Helena, Nov. 30, to the wife of S. Cohen, a son.

FRASER—In Helena, Nov. 29, to the wife of Herbert A. Fraser, a son.

MARRIED.

CAMPBELL—MARRIED—In Helena, Nov. 30, 1889, John Campbell to Miss M. Mariett, both of Alhambra.

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